



St Paul's Crompton Street Reading Newsletter

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At St Paul's, reading is at the heart of our curriculum and we are committed to enabling our children to become lifelong readers.

Our Reading Curriculum

Starting in Nursery, we read in many different ways throughout the day.

In EYFS and KS1 children have a phonics session at the start of everyday which helps them to read sounds and then blend them together into words.



Every class has daily Guided Reading lessons where children read in small groups and answer questions about what they have read.

Everyday children listen to a book read aloud by their teacher or other class members. This could be a story, poem or information book.

Outside of English lessons, children have opportunities to read to develop their subject knowledge. For example, reading an information text to find out more about the life cycle of an animal in Science or a diary entry from a soldier fighting in WW2 in History.

Within our classrooms, each class has a class library where children can choose books to read for pleasure. Books linked to current topics are also available so children can learn more and answer any questions which may have arisen.



In School Council we talked about our favourite reading activities:

"I like reading History books," Thomas Year 5.

"I like when we read chapters of a long book and individual children read aloud," Billy-Ray Year 6.
"Also, when adults walk into the room whilst we are reading and think the book might be good so they want to read it themselves."

"I like comprehension questions because they help me extend my knowledge," Rianne Year 4.

"I like reading non-fiction books because they can help me learn new facts," Henry Year 3.

"I like reading all books all the time!" Oren Year 5.

Have a look at our school website <https://www.stpaulscrompton.org.uk/reading> to find out more about reading at St Paul's.

The King's Coronation

To celebrate the King's Coronation, we will be reading new books to learn more about the special day and our new King.



Home reading expectations

We are encouraging children to read everyday at home. If they bring into school their reading record with 7 reads signed by an adult, they will receive a sticker on our class chart. If they receive 3 stickers in a half-term, they will receive a prize. Previous prizes have included bookmarks, rubbers, pencils and crayons.

The minimum expectation for home reading is 5 times a week of their school reading book, signed by an adult at home.